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Title: Method and System for Restricting the Usage of Payment Accounts

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 2, 2005**

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This a response to the Final Office Action dated December 2, 2005, for which the three-month shortened period for response expires on March 2, 2006. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

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